



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 6699***

LCO No. 3486

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:  
(JUD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE ENFORCEMENT OF HUNTING,  
TRAPPING AND FISHING LAWS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 54-56h of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):

3 (a) The court may, in the disposition of any criminal or motor  
4 vehicle case, including a dismissal or the imposition of a sentence,  
5 consider the fact that the defendant has made (1) a monetary  
6 contribution to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund established  
7 under section 54-215 or, if the defendant is charged with a violation of  
8 any provision of title 26, to a nonprofit organization that provides  
9 rewards for persons who report violations of fish and game or wildlife  
10 protection laws, or (2) a contribution of community service work hours  
11 to a private nonprofit charity or other nonprofit organization.

12 (b) In entering a nolle prosequi, the state's attorney, assistant state's  
13 attorney or deputy assistant state's attorney in charge of the case may  
14 consider the fact that the defendant has made (1) a monetary  
15 contribution to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund established

16 under section 54-215 or, if the defendant is charged with a violation of  
17 any provision of title 26, to a nonprofit organization that provides  
18 rewards for persons who report violations of fish and game or wildlife  
19 protection laws, or (2) a contribution of community service work hours  
20 to a private nonprofit charity or other nonprofit organization.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2005</i>	54-56h
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To authorize courts and prosecutors in the disposition of a criminal case to consider the fact that a person charged with a fish and game law violation has made a monetary contribution to an organization that offers rewards to persons who turn in poachers or other persons who violate fish and game laws.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*